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SUBJECT: UNOFFICIAL HANOI REACTION TO THE PARACELS INCIDENT

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THE NORTH VIETNAMESE HAVE TAKEN NOTE AT THE UNOFFICIAL LEVEL OF LAST WEEKEND'S CLASH IN THE PARACEL ISLANDS, AND THEIR TREATMENT INDICATES THE TROUBLE THEY ARE HAVING WITH THE ISSUE. ACCORDING TO A FRENCH PRESS REPORT, "AUTHORIZED SOURCES" IN HANOI STATED THAT PRESERVING TERRITORIAL SOVEREIGNTY IS A "SACRED CAUSE" FOR EVERY NATION, BUT THAT "THE FREQUENTLY COMPLEX DISPUTES OVER TERRITORIES AND FRONTIERS BETWEEN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES DEMAND CAREFUL AND CIRCUMSPECT EXAMINATION. COUNTRIES INVOLVED SHOULD SETTLE SUCH DISPUTES BY NEGOTIATIONS AND IN A SPIRIT OF EQUALITY, MUTUAL RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP, AND

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